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For : METHOD FOR REDUCING
EXHAUST CARBON DIOXIDE

Art Unit : 1754

Examiner : VANOY

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE
TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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This is a response to the Office Action of January 30, 2002
(Paper No. 8), which is a Restriction Requirement under 35 USC 121.
The term for responding to the Office Action ends on March 1, 2002.
Please amend the application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 57, replace the first full paragraph beginning on line 6
with the following paragraph:

-The blocks for sinking in the sea of the present embodiment
are produced by closely consolidating slags of small diameter with
binders of CaCO_3 or CaCO_3 and MgCO_3 produced by the carbonation
reaction, and have enough strength. So, when transferring or
sinking in the sea, those are not cracked or broken, even after

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